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and Itasca counties.

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as second class matter.

Newspaper postage was reduced to  
one cent a pound on Wednesday.

Representative J. T. Sadley, of  
Princeton is prospecting in Arizona.

The opening of the magnificent  
Hotel Ryan is an event of no  
slight importance in the history of  
St. Paul.

Republican office holders are being  
bounced with lightning-like  
rapidity. The democrats are searching  
the gutters and back alleys "for  
cause."

Last Saturday the St. Paul &  
Duluth passenger train was  
detained all night at N. P. Junction  
by a fire in a wood pile near the  
track.

Twenty-eight states in the union  
have adopted laws restricting the  
practice of medicine to educated  
physicians. This is causing a kick  
in the undertakers' ranks.

The first legal hanging in Minn-  
nesota for twenty years will occur  
at Duluth on the 28th of August,  
at which time Wiseman, the Tower  
City murderer, will be executed.

The Aitkin Age editor wants the  
postoffice at his town. As soon as  
Cleveland was elected Barrett  
came out with a strong democratic  
sheet and now demands his pay.

In a case of refusal to deliver up  
an unlicensed dog to be shot, Jus-  
tice Sweet, of Sauk Rapids, has just  
decided that dogs now being per-  
sonal property their delivery for  
killing purpose cannot be enforced.

Duluth, St. Paul and other  
county villages are kicking be-  
cause the census taker did not  
enlarge on the actual number of  
residents in their respective towns  
and the papers demand a recount.

The story is current in St. Paul  
and confirmed by a Fargo dispatch  
that the Fargo Southern railroad  
has passed formally and actually  
under the control of the Milwaukee  
& St. Paul road.

The Perham Bulletin is very  
much surprised to learn that one  
of Brainerd's heretofore republi-  
can papers has come out for de-  
mocracy. These be turbulent times,  
Bro. Love, and you should be pre-  
pared for miracles of all descrip-  
tions.

Secretary Manning is getting  
his grip on the machinery of the  
treasury department, and the July  
debt review is favorable in many  
ways. The debt reduction for the  
month is over \$9,000,000, and  
that for the year some \$65,000,000,  
not a large sum compared with  
former years, but large enough.

Mr. A. Moore, one of the largest  
dealers in furs in the northwest, is  
anxious for the statement that it  
is almost an impossibility to pro-  
cure buffalo robes anywhere in the  
northwest. During the season of  
1864 Mr. Moore purchased nearly  
20,000 robes, while this season,  
despite his utmost endeavors, he  
has been able to secure but eight-  
teen robes.

The Moorhead News thinks that  
John Shelly, of Ada, will be chief  
west inspector at Duluth. The  
DISPATCH sincerely hopes that  
Mr. Shelly will be appointed to  
that important position, knowing  
from a personal acquaintance with  
him that he is in every way com-  
petent to fill the place, and in  
that event that the farmers of the  
northwest will receive their just  
dues.

Mrs. Vesselt Dudley, whose shot  
missed O'Donovan Rossa's vital,  
was acquitted by the jury in New  
York Wednesday on the ground of  
insanity. She took the stand in  
her own defense and argued that  
she was perfectly sane, but the  
more she argued the more the jury  
was convinced that she was not  
her wits. The only thing the peo-  
ple are mad about is because she  
didn't kill him.

A serious strike of street car  
drivers and conductors occurred  
in Chicago Tuesday and still con-  
tinues. The men became riotous,  
and cars were stoned, smashed  
and overturned. The police were  
powerless to cope with the mob,  
which joined by idlers, numbered  
four or five thousand. The cause  
of the strike was the company's  
refusal to reinstate fourteen dis-  
charged men.

Experienced lumbermen have  
always held that timber cut in the  
spring was not durable for build-  
ing purposes. Recent scientific  
investigation sustains the belief.  
It is shown that the richer the  
wood is in phosphoric acid and  
potassium the more likely it is to  
rot and mold, wood cut in the  
spring contains eight times as  
much of the former and five times  
as much of the latter as when cut  
in the winter.

The Princeton Union says that  
some intermeddling busy-bodies  
are trying to make trouble for the  
boys who have taken pre-emption  
claims in the so-called Mile Lacs  
reservation, and remarks that  
"busy-bodies" do well to  
mind their own business. The  
boys have faithfully complied with  
every requirement of the law, and  
the oaths of perjured scoundrels,  
sneaky men and Indian run-sellers  
will not prevent the boys from  
holding their dearly earned claims  
and receiving patents for the same."

The Fergus Fall Journal says  
that the population of St. Peter is  
given out at 4,034, which includes  
about 1,000 inmates of the hospital  
for insane and remarks that  
"from this can be seen what  
Fergus will probably increase in  
the next four years."

Now, if the insane asylum should  
happen to be located at Brainerd  
it is our opinion that their inhabi-  
tants would all have to be brought  
here to be cared for, as the reaction  
would craze the whole village.  
Fergus is too sure of their public  
improvement.

## Which Will It Be.

The Duluth Herald says that  
"Stivers of the Brainerd Journal,  
will seek health and emolument  
in the democratic atmosphere."

Publisher's Paper Railroad.

The Ada, Duluth & Northern Da-  
kota is the name of a new railroad  
company just organized at Ada, in  
Norman county, with A. H. Baker,  
as President; O. H. Myra, Vice  
President; Fred Puhler, Secretary,  
and Knute Larson, Treasurer. Ex-

Smart in the Extreme.

They have a pretty smart girl  
in Illinois. She is only nineteen  
years of age and yet she has been  
married four times and all her  
husbands are living. Her last  
husband was also her first, her  
parents having taken her from him  
the day of her marriage. In the  
meantime she captured two other  
fellows, but will now probably  
rest with her first choice.

Hard on The Young People.

Attorney General Hahn has  
rendered an important opinion in  
connection with the issuing of  
marriage licenses, to the effect  
that the clerk of a court cannot  
legally issue a marriage license to  
a young man under 21 years or a  
girl under 18 years of age without  
the consent, oral or written and  
certified to by the witnesses, of  
parent or guardian, in case where-  
in the parties applying have,  
either of them, had a wife or hus-  
band before consent of parent or  
guardian is not legally required.

A Good Showing.

The land department of the  
Northern Pacific reports for the  
month of June as follows: Total  
sales for the month 51,222 acres  
for \$235,572, against land sales  
for the corresponding month last  
year of 32,027 acres, bringing  
\$189,956. With the exception  
of 4,400 acres near Butte, Mon-  
tana, to the Anaconda mining and  
smelting company, 4,131 acres  
were located in Minnesota, 21,822  
acres in Dakota, and 2,700 acres  
in Oregon. The total sales for  
the year ending June 30, were  
347,600 acres, for which \$1,700,000  
was received. This is a showing  
of which the road may be proud in  
these times.

Democratic Politics.

The Democratic Journal is liable  
to work to the disadvantage of some  
prominent Democrats in this city  
and county, although its editor un-  
doubtedly means well. As a loyal  
Democratic organ it must needs  
advocate the election of democrats  
to office, in local politics as well  
as national. This will of course  
be a disadvantage to the party  
lines in the local campaigns, and  
as such the Democrats who have  
made good and faithful officers will  
have to go. Crow Wing county is  
largely republican, but in former  
times there has been no dividing  
line, and democrats and republicans  
alike have been treated as party  
men in the eyes of the office. It is  
well known fact, too, that promi-  
nent democrats have done all in  
their power to keep a democratic  
organ out of the county, and for this  
reason. The editor of the Journal  
admits himself that he was not  
urged or asked to take up the  
hatred in their ranks. The lat-  
ter fact is too true, and what dem-  
ocrats there are who want a local  
organ are too suspicious of a con-  
vert made in a day to put much  
confidence in it as political manip-  
ulator.

The Drives.

The last of the Mississippi river  
drives were at Brainerd Wednesday  
as learned from Senator Buckman,  
whose 7,000,000 are close by. The  
logs making up the last quota of  
the large Mississippi cut are:  
Beatty & Bray, 1,000,000 out of  
Sandy Lake; Vaughn Bros., about  
11,000,000 out of Pine river; C.  
B. Buckman, 7,000,000 out of  
Prairie river, and the smaller  
drive of James Fleming. The  
latter is the last to come, but all  
the logs will be well past by a day  
longer.

The Mile Lacs lake drive of  
three million feet was at Cam-  
bridge Thursday. The West  
Branch drive of five million feet  
left Princeton Monday noon, and  
the Tibbetts' brook left the  
same place yesterday with between  
eight and nine million feet. All  
are moving along in the most  
satisfactory manner, and there  
will not be a log left in Rum river  
or its tributaries.

S. C. Bagley, who has been in  
charge of the upper portions of  
Mr. T. B. Walker's Clearwater  
drive, has returned to Minneapolis.  
He reports that the second drive  
of the season, about 15,000,000  
feet, is now running into Crook-  
ston: the first drive of about 4,000,  
000 feet, run in May. The re-  
mainder of the logs, from 13,000,  
000 to 14,000,000 feet are hung up  
above Clearwater lake, to be  
brought down later in the season  
when the reservoirs are filled with  
water. Mr. Walker is saving the  
logs secured at Crookston and  
Grand Forks.

The New Bridge.

The new bridge of the Northern  
Pacific across the St. Louis river,  
connecting Duluth with Superior,  
was not opened to traffic Wednes-  
day as was expected. The operat-  
ing department of the Northern  
Pacific is now preparing a time  
table under which trains will  
run across the bridge. This will  
be completed in sufficient time for  
a formal opening of the bridge on  
Monday next. The Northern Pa-  
cific will, on that day, make close  
connection with the Wisconsin  
Central and Milwaukee, Lake Shore  
and Western at Ashland. The train  
will leave Ashland about 6:30 p.  
m. and arrive at Duluth about  
6:30 a. m. The completion of the  
Northern Pacific's bridge marks a  
new era in the history of the Lake  
Superior country, and the advan-  
tages to accrue to that section of  
country are greater than generally  
supposed. All the principal lake  
towns will be brought in close  
proximity to each other, and  
freight can be transferred with-  
out delay or great cost. The  
Northern Pacific's bridge, under  
an act of congress, is open to all  
railroads, and any road now pen-  
etrating, or that will hereafter  
be built into that country, has a right  
to the use of its tracks upon the  
payment of a certain consideration.

## A Chastly Night's Work.

AN OLD MINER'S TALE.

See here! Not a syllable of the  
story of that ghastly night's work  
hain't never been breathed by me  
to mortal soul, never in the world.  
But scarcely a day passes as I don't  
think on it myself. Now, it may  
seem kinder queer to you that I  
should now of my own accord go  
an' put the whole of it into print.  
But it's just this way: I must tell  
somebody. I ain't equal to carry-  
ing the secret myself, an' yet I  
hain't never found a man as I dard  
trust it to. Now, when you've  
gone and published it, all your  
thousands of readers 'll each of 'em  
have to bear part of my load for me;  
an' yet no one among 'em will be  
able to pin me at me, like an' say,  
"You done it!"

We had been pretty desperate,  
my two partners and myself, for  
some time past. Everything that  
we had touched since we came into  
the camp had gone wrong somehow.  
We had secreted our money in the  
money into town lots, we bought  
them when the boom was at its  
highest, and the bottom fell clean  
out of the camp within a week of  
terwards. Then we went to work  
on our placer ground; but bed-rock  
was deep, and the hard drive us  
out before we got a decent color.  
For our quartz ledges—there were  
four standing in our names—we  
had no money to open them, and  
the camp was not believed in out-  
side as a quartz camp, anyway, and  
we should probably have been un-  
able to sell if it had not been for  
them. So we found ourselves right  
down on bed-rock, "broke," without  
any prospect of pay ahead. I should  
be afraid to say how long we strug-  
gled on without work or money, or  
what we lived on during that long  
disheartening time. But at length  
we grew desperate, as I have said;  
I do not think that any one of us  
was a bad man at heart, and we  
had all been well enough brought  
up; so that we had not made up  
our minds to do the thing we did  
without a good deal of reluctance.  
We did not become desperate all  
at once. At first when we saw  
how things were going with us,  
we used to say, laughingly, "un-  
less something turns up soon we  
shall have to take to holding up  
the express," or "unless we manage  
to get another dollar before this  
one is gone, we shall have to take  
our grub without buying it," and so  
on, but it soon passed beyond a  
laughing matter, and as week  
after week rolled by, bringing us  
neither work nor money, we  
began little by little to talk more  
seriously about taking some  
vigorous step, without regard to  
live upon. A man does not feel  
respect for the law, and I can tell  
you, when he is starving; and we  
were near enough to that at all  
times. There were several  
schemes we used to talk about for  
getting food, but one there was  
that seemed easier than any of the  
others. This one we had discussed  
often enough, and we had gone  
over and over again what each one  
was to do if ever the opportunity  
turned up for putting the plan into  
execution. And the opportunity did  
turn up at last. Our cabin was  
just on the outskirts of the camp.  
The door looked onto the trail  
which was the continuation of the  
main trail, and a side window  
facing the brush which grew close  
up to the trail, and through which  
another cabin—long, however, de-  
serted—was just visible through the  
window. Well, we were all three  
sitting indoors one dark and cloudy  
afternoon, feeling as dismal as we  
could, when "he" strolled slowly  
past the door going up the road  
away from town. We had rehearsed  
our parts so often that a word  
and a glance among us was suffi-  
cient. One of my partners walked  
quickly to the door to see that no  
one else was in sight, while the  
other partner and myself leaned  
out to the side window and  
waited. He turned and came up  
to within a yard or two of us and  
then stopped. But only for a  
moment; on some pretext or  
another I drew him up close to me  
and then, while I engaged his at-  
tention, my partner leaned for-  
ward, put a pistol to his head and  
fired. He fell at once, without  
uttering a sound. Immediately he  
heard the report of the pistol,  
the partner who was standing by  
the door strolled as unconcerned  
as he could round the cabin till he  
came to where "he" was lying,  
and then drew a long hunting knife  
from under his coat, and, well,  
when I reached out of the window  
a minute afterwards, and threw  
down a small ladder which was  
leaning against the wall of the  
cabin, so as to conceal the body  
from the road, the life-blood was  
running from a huge gash in the  
throat and the limbs were just  
twitching with the last spasmodic  
death.

The whole thing was finished in  
a couple of minutes. There was  
too much promiscuous shooting in  
camp at all hours of the day and  
night for a single pistol shot to  
attract any attention. There had not  
been a hitch; no cry; no accident-  
al passer-by to see us; nothing ap-  
parently to betray us, and so far  
we were safe. But when we all  
met again in the cabin, the other  
two I know looked strangely pale,  
and if I could judge of their feel-  
ings by my own, it was then we  
felt our first touch of fear. Then  
we first realized what the act was  
which we had talked about for so  
long, and which was at last com-  
mitted. For nearly a quarter of  
an hour not a word passed be-  
tween us. What the thoughts of  
the other two were, I cannot say;  
but mine—well, God forgive me!  
Meanwhile, however, the body  
was lying outside, where, with  
only such slight concealment as  
the ladder afforded, any passer by  
upon the road might see it. But  
we had rehearsed all this too, and  
while we stood at the door to keep  
guard I wrenched up two loose  
planks in the floor of the cabin,  
and the third man got some old  
sacks and made a kind of a carpet  
of them from the window to the  
hole in the floor, to prevent any  
blood dripping on the wood. Then  
he and I leaned out of the window  
again, pushed away the ladder and  
each grasped a leg to pull the  
body in at the window. This is  
the first time I had touched him  
in other hands, but shall I ever  
forget the sensations which my  
hand first came in contact with  
him, or the horrible weight, so  
limp and dead—as we dragged  
him in at the window and across  
the floor to where the planks were

removed and hurriedly thrust him  
into the dark place! It was some-  
thing more than mere physical  
exertion which I brought out, the  
cold beads of sweat which I felt  
standing on my forehead, and  
which I saw standing on the fore-  
head of him who helped me.

As soon as the planks had been  
replaced he who had been on guard  
at the door took a bucket of water  
and, walking round to the window  
again, dashed it over the window  
sill and ladder to wash off the dark  
red stains,—did ever man bleed so  
—and scraped a few handfuls of  
leaves and earth over the blood  
which lay in a pool on the ground.

Then we met in the cabin again  
and strove to be and appear at our  
ease. But heavens! what a mock-  
ery it was! We tried to talk on  
indifferent topics but none heeded  
what the other said, and whatever  
words were on our lips each one  
of us knew that all our thoughts  
were with the ghastly thing under  
those planks in the floor. Again  
and again I caught the other two  
stealing sudden glances at the  
place where it lay, and again I  
caught my own eyes fixed upon  
the spot, for none of us—though  
we had pretended to take our seats  
at random—would sit with our  
backs to the place. Then again  
it seemed impossible for anyone to  
suspect anything; but still it seem-  
ed to me as if each man who came  
in could not fail to guess what was  
underneath us.

But evening came on and then  
the visitors ceased and we three sat  
about getting supper. Not that it  
was much use—for who could eat  
with "it" under the floor! but it  
was a relief to all of us to be doing  
anything. When supper was over  
we once more went down, again with  
all our faces to that spot, and wait-  
ed. What an almost interminable  
evening that was, and what strange  
noises there were about. Every  
noise, too, sounded as if it came  
from under the floor. The soft  
chipmunk would run over the roof  
of the cabin and all eyes were riv-  
eted on the spot. If a dog howled  
outside it seemed to be under our  
feet. Three or four times too, dur-  
ing the night, a pistol shot rang  
out and in a flash the whole scene  
was before me. At last all the camp  
was in a commotion. "What's the  
news," one of us said; and without  
another word we rose and again set  
about our tasks as we had mapped  
them out. First we blew out the  
candle and then, in the dark, we  
took the blankets off our beds and  
hung them round the walls so as  
to cover every crack by which a  
ray of light could get out or in  
eye sight. Then the candles were  
relit, the planks were taken up  
again, and slowly and with diffi-  
culty we dragged "it" out, for it  
was cold now, and stiff, and would  
scarcely come out through the  
opening into which it had slipped  
easily enough when the time  
spread a couple of rubber blankets  
on the floor and stretched him out  
on them. On each side we stood  
a candle on a stool, took our knives  
and went to work. But it is no  
use describing the horrid job; no  
every detail of it—the dead silence,  
the clammy flesh still warm inside,  
the faint but sickening stench and  
the appearance of the thing itself  
in the dim light of those two flick-  
ering candles—is before me as I  
write. Once during the night the  
silence was suddenly broken  
by a pack of coyotes. They seemed  
to break down the door and come  
in, and the unearthly crash of their  
voices rang out every man dropped  
his knife and sprang to his feet,  
and so we stood staring at one  
another, over the corpse, long  
after the clamor had ceased and  
the pack swept away in the brush  
again.

At last however it was over, and  
the sacks with their ghastly bur-  
dens were lowered out of the win-  
dow through which we had drag-  
ged him at first. One after an-  
other we climbed out after them  
and, shouldering them without a  
word we started over a narrow  
trail through the brush. My sack  
I knew had the head and feet, and  
again and again I thought they  
moved. As before every sound  
seemed still to come from where  
the body was, and when an owl  
flew screaming overhead I dropped  
my sack thinking it was the head  
that shrieked. At length, how-  
ever, we came to a place of brush  
thick enough to hide the sacks  
from passing eyes, and one by one  
they were thrown with all our  
strength away from the trail and  
fell with a crash into the bushes.

The first streak of dawn was  
visible as we climbed into the  
window again, leaving it open be-  
hind us to let the pure air purge  
the room if possible, and then  
scarcely exchanging a word we  
dressed in the dark and went to  
bed. Sleep however for me at all  
events was out of the question,  
and I simply lay there and listened  
to the strange voices of which the  
place seemed full, and went over  
all the details of the affair in my  
mind again and again. Heaven!  
it was a fearful night. I wouldn't  
go through such a night again for  
all the gold you could offer me.  
But none the less he was terribly  
good eating.

What was? Why, the pig, the  
boar pig, to be sure, that I've been  
telling you about. Didn't I say  
it was a pig? Why, of course it  
was. What else should it be?  
Somebody else's pig, you see.  
That is why we had to be so close  
and secret about it. We had  
none of us been brought up pig  
stealers; but when a man's hungry  
he raises superior to his education.  
And perhaps you think I've  
exaggerated the honors of the  
thing? Well you spend an even-  
ing with a dead pig—a stolen one,  
mind you—under the floor of your  
room, and then set to work to skin  
and clean him at midnight by the  
light of a couple of candles, and  
see how like a murderer you feel.  
Just try it; that's all.—H. P. Rob-  
inson in Northeastern Magazine.

Ex-Collector Robertson, of New  
York, says he will never again take  
an active interest in politics,

## Brainerd & Motley

### Look at These Prices:

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A FOREST HYMN.

The glowing sun is rising high  
And the arches of the sky  
The dreamy light is glowing  
No sound disturbs the lovely glade  
Save that by yonder woodfall made  
By some sweet breeze that sighs  
Like a brook's o'er vale and hill.

In such an hour I love to stray  
From haunts of toiling men and ways  
To forest depths where Nature's voice  
There, in a bliss of solitudes  
Where in the forest depths intrude  
And Nature breathes sweet quietude—  
The grandest of the world around—  
The heart by dallies gently oppress,  
The weary spirit gently oppress,  
As, pilloved on the sod,  
With thought above but led and sky,  
And loving look of Heavenly Eye,  
Perchance with angels hovering high,  
I dream of Nature's God.

—Edward N. Richards, in The Current.

A CHINAMAN OUTWITTED.

"Look at that fellow, Ralph," said Charles Powell, designating with his finger a slim Malay who was peering a little aloof from the gang of noisy laborers crowding the pier at Batavia. "Did you ever see such a thing? Looks as though he had been some time since he had even heard the mention of food."

Charles Powell, a young New Yorker, and his friend Ralph Somers, an Englishman, had, just the day before, won in Batavia, the former being on his way to Hong Kong, while the latter, after a two or three days' stay, was returning to England on leave of absence.

The Malay in question fully qualified by his appearance, and the read of the young American. He was a thin, spare man, half-clad, and with a turban wound around his crisp, black hair.

He stood for a moment gazing moodily into the water, and then, as if understanding the jocular remarks of his companions, he turned and, with a look upon his face half-smile, half-frown, and the next instant sprang from the pier and disappeared beneath the surface of the muddy water.

In an instant Ralph cast aside his coat and sprang after him, and in two minutes the man lay upon the wharf, and the two were looking at each other, when questioned by his rescuer.

"Come, come, now! Brace up, coolie! I say, now, don't get so drowsily humped by the water. He finally confessed that it was poverty that had led him to an attempt to take his own life. It was the old story of a man of willing hands and more applications of the water than were situations to fill.

Out of work and out of money, with a sick wife staring at him, and eyes despair had driven him here in the hope of getting even the poor employment that would earn a few cents a day, and falling in, he had momentarily lost his reason.

"Cheer up, man," said Ralph, handing him a silver coin. "Here is something for your present needs. Don't try to feed the fish. You shall get the poor fellow but half comprehended the words the Englishman spoke. He gave one doubtful look at the coin and at the giver, and then murmuring a blessing upon the young man, turned and disappeared.

Ralph, dripping wet, sought the nearest house, and he turned to the man of Chang Fong, a rich Chinese merchant of Batavia.

As our friends entered Chang Fong was seated upon a stool, and he turned his stool in front of the counter. He had turned as they entered.

"Yung Faa, as I'm a sinner!" exclaimed Ralph, as he turned to the Chinaman, who, however, returned his gaze with an unmoved countenance.

"Are you not Yung Faa?" questioned Ralph.

"No," said he, "I am Chang Fong."

And coolly asked: "But who are you?"

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Toward the end of 1811, an epoch so memorable in the history of Russia, there dwelt on his domain of Menardow, Gabriel Gabrielowich, with his wife and only daughter Maria, a charming young girl about seventeen years of age.

Gabriel Gabrielowich was much loved and respected; generous to an unusual degree, his house was ever open to who chose to accept his lavish hospitality. Maria, Gabrielowich, had of course, many suitors, attracted both by her personal charms, and by her position in the list of all important persons who remained in spite of all importunities she remained absolutely indifferent to all offers. Her romantic and impressionable mind, affected by the constant reading of many French novels, led her to imagine herself desperately and irrevocably in love. Unfortunately, the object of her affections, who undoubtedly returned her love, met with the contemptuous disapprobation of her parents, in whose mind a poor non-commissioned officer was no fitting match for the heiress of Menardow.

He was relentlessly forbidden the house, but in spite of this the lovers met daily at the old forest well, and there plighted their troth. When winter came, these stolen interviews were, perforce, discontinued. At length the separation became intolerable, even to the solace of the forest well, and the lovers, Gabriel and Maria, decided to leave their home, and to seek their fortune elsewhere.

One day, Gabriel, in the company of his friends, was walking in the park, when he saw a young man, who he recognized as a friend of his, walking in the same direction. He followed him, and saw him enter a carriage, and he saw the carriage drive off. He was very much surprised, and he was very much interested in the young man, who he recognized as a friend of his.

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